

## FIFTY-SEVEN CHILDREN DIED ON ORTERIC

The immigrant steamer Orteric arrived this morning after a trip of forty-six days. As the vessel came along side the Channel wharf a heterogeneous crowd lined the ships side.

The crowd was kept back from the wharf, and no one was allowed on except those who had business there.

**Terrible Death Rate.** With the exception of Dr. Clark and R. A. Kearns of the Board of Immigration no one was permitted on board the boat. Information, however was obtained that 1,552 souls left as immigrants, and on the voyage over the appalling death total was fifty-seven. All of these were children, forty-five of whom died from measles, eight from bronchitis, and the remainder from other children's ailments. One died only this morning outside the port.

There were fourteen births during the voyage. The complement shows three hundred families and 150 single men, but the exact figures regarding men, women and children were not available.

### Sanitary Measures.

It was stated that they were a fairly well behaved crowd. But they were characterized as very obstinate. There were at first some filthy practices indulged in among the male members of the immigrants, but the crew soon got them out of these ways, and a close surveillance eventually led them to observe better the sanitary laws that were drawn up.

One Sunday a fearful fight among the male Portuguese and Spaniards was threatened. Vino (Aguadente) was being served out, when a squabble ensued. It looked trivial at first, but those concerned lost their tempers, and started for each other with knives. The captain was informed of the situation, and without loss of time he went down among the combatants with his revolver. They were

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## PHYSICIANS SPEAK FOR FEDERAL CONTROL

Representatives of The Star today encountered most general and emphatic support of the plan to have Federal authorities take charge of local health and sanitation measures, many pointing out that it would mean the practical extermination of mosquitoes here, and the filling in or local swamps, and would give Honolulu a reputation all over the world for health and cleanliness. The Star interviewed a number of physicians on the subject. The following are expressions favoring the plan, by medical men:

DR. G. J. AUGUR—I am decidedly in favor of the United States having full charge of all health matters in Hawaii, not temporarily but permanently.

DR. ST. D. G. WALTERS—Do I think the United States should take charge of all health matters in this territory. Absolutely yes!

DR. GEORGE HERBERT—I believe it would be better for the national government to have charge of all health matters in Hawaii, unless, per-

haps, the board of health is so empowered as to have the absolute say. There would be no trouble under Federal control.

DR. J. R. JUDD—I haven't considered the matter much, but, unless we can handle our own health affairs effectively, we must look to the Federal government.

DR. DONALD McLENNAN—I'm in favor of the Federal government having charge of health matters in this territory.

DR. J. T. McDONALD—Yes, I believe it would be the best thing for these islands if the United States health officers were in charge at all times.

DR. CARL RAMUS (U. S. P. S. & M. H. S.)—If things go on as they are now it would appear that the Federal health department might not wait to be "asked" to take charge.

DR. A. G. HODGINS.—To be sure, let us have Federal control of the health of this Territory. There is altogether too much politics in local management.

## RAILROAD TRESPASS BILL FOUGHT THROUGH

The bill to prohibit trespassing upon the rights of way of railroads within the Territory, introduced by Rice the day after a recent fatal accident on the Oahu railway, was considerably changed before it passed third reading, which it did with eleven votes registered against it.

Archer led the attack on the measure, and in its printed form it would surely have been defeated.

The provision that no owner or operator of any railroad should be liable in damages for the death or injury to any person arising out of a violation of the act, was struck

out. Another provision killed was that making the term railroad, in the act, include temporary or portable steam railroads. The penalty was reduced from a maximum fine of \$100 to one of \$10.

As amended the bill passed third reading on the following vote:

Ayes—Affonso, Castle, Cockett, Coney, Cooke, Holstein, Huddy, Kawakoa, Kawewehi, Long, Makekau, Marcallino, Rice, Richard, Sheldon, Towse, Waiakohu, Yates—18.  
Noes—Archer, Cowes, Fernandez, Hale, Kamanoulu, Kanekoa, Kellinot, Mahoe, Moanauhi, Watkins, Williams—11.

A violation of the Edmunds Act, was sentenced to imprisonment for one day without costs.

Two more indictments were returned by the Federal grand jury today. They were placed on the secret file.

The court adjourned until Saturday morning.

The benefit for Captain Sam, at the Orpheum theater on Saturday afternoon will be one of the biggest vaudeville events ever given. Nearly all the vaudeville talent at the theaters of the Honolulu Amusement Company has given their services freely.

## EMBEZZLER SENTENCED

Gabriel Solomon Kalsehao, indicted for embezzlement of \$75 from the Heela postoffice, of which he was assistant postmaster, pleaded guilty before United States Judge Clemons, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$75 and be imprisoned for two years, with costs added.

Enrique Anduja, pleading guilty to

## Public Aroused And Wants Federal Control Of Health Matters

Honolulu was profoundly stirred to-day with indignation at the health situation. The discovery that the poi ordinance, which went into legal effect on April 5, when Mayor Fern signed it, had not been enforced; a general belief that the recrudescence of cholera was directly due to the non-enforcement; and widespread opinion that both the municipal and territorial health departments were more vigilant in political hustling than in health matters, caused angry comment on every side. There is little fear here of a serious epidemic such as would cause heavy loss of life, but the business community has felt very severely the loss caused by the last outbreak. The outbreak nearly emptied hotels and lodging houses; the news about it went all over the world, lessening travel this way in every quarter of the globe, and the loss fell directly on almost every mercantile enterprise in the territory.

On every street today, citizens might be heard expressing the wish that the federal government would step in and end the difficulty.

## RECONSIDERING THE POI BILL

The Senate this afternoon, on motion of Chillingworth, decided to reconsider the poi bill, which was laid on the table yesterday. The bill was raised from the table and set on the calendar for Saturday morning.

**A Joke on the Politicians.** The political joke of the period was sprung today by a Democratic party leader who said that the name of Dr. Mackall, who is under heavy fire for doing too much Republican politics, appears on one of the Democratic precinct membership cards. The card pledges the signer to devoted support of the Democratic ticket party and platform. Republican "regulars" in politics have saved the doctor's position several times in the party central committee. Only a few months ago the party organization came to his rescue.

**Democrats Wanted Him Too.** It appears that the Democrats also thought that they had their man in, when Dr. Mackall took charge of the municipal health matters. He was appointed by Mayor Fern, just after

the precinct roll of the Democrats was increased by the addition of his name. "He told the Democratic party managers," said one of the managers this morning, "that he and his folks had always been Democrats, being southerners, and that, though he didn't propose to be active in politics, such influence as he had would be for us. Auwe."

**Bills in Senate Again.**

Three bills yesterday fathered by the Senate health committee, of which Chillingworth is chairman came up for second reading this morning.

Chillingworth stated it as the intention of Senate bill 130 to cover such matters as were contained in House bill 160 which was tabled yesterday and which was known as the "poi" bill.

Senator Judd suggested an amendment to provide for board of health jurisdiction in the matters of garbage and excavator work.

Chillingworth stated that President Mott-Smith had himself agreed that such provision need not be in the bill. "But he agreed to that before the poi bill was killed," said Judd. "But this bill covers the poi bill," said Chillingworth.

The measure was passed on second reading, as were also Senate bills

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## PRIMARY BILL KILLED BY SENATE

House bill 31, the direct primary measure, over which have been held so many public hearing and committee meetings, died in the Senate this morning, on third reading.

While suggestions were forming as to amendments and while certain Fairchild, Hewitt, Kalama, Makekau, honorable gentlemen were inquiring of chairmen of committees for information. Senator Fairchild arose to move the bill be tabled on the ground

that the bill was not good in any way, would create confusion and raise trouble generally, to say nothing of possibly breeding corruption.

The bill was tabled by the following vote of ten: Baker, J. T. Brown, Fairchild, Hewitt, Kalama, Makekau, Pali, Quinn, Robinson, Kaudsen.

Those who voted against tabling the measure were Cecil Brown, Chillingworth, A. Judd and Kaielolu.

## ST. LOUIS COLLEGE REPEATS PROTEST AGAINST OPEN SEWER

A second complaint was sent to the Board of Health this morning from St. Louis College regarding a sewer running into Nuuanu stream just below Kukui street. Attention was called to the matter some days ago, but this morning the conditions were worse than ever though something of an effort was made yesterday to mend matters.

"I had a visit last night from a friend who came on the Sherman," said Brother Edward this morning, "and he called attention to the smell at our place. It was very bad. A sewer emptying into Nuuanu stream and running through the heart of the city into the harbor struck him as likely to cause cholera or something worse. The smell is indeed very objectionable. We have about 650 boys in the college, and they scatter all over the community."

"My friend called attention to the filth in the harbor, and though he was skeptical about there being cholera here, he suggested that the community might expect it, or some worse disease. It seems strange that an open sewer should be left like that, in spite of protests."

Ethelreda M. K. Kaulla, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kaulla died at the family residence this morning. Funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock from St. Elizabeth's Church.

### WODEHOUSE RESIGNS.

E. A. Wodehouse has resigned as Superintendent of Immigration as he leaves on the Siberia for a trip to England. He retains his membership on the Board of Immigration.

## REBELS REJECT DIAZ PEACE PROPOSITIONS

(Associated Press Cable to Star.)

CHIHUAHUA, April 13—General Madero has rejected the peace proposals, which, he declares, are only the renewal of old promises.

**DEATH OF ARTIST KEITH.**

BERKELEY, Cal., April 13—Keith, the well known artist, is dead.

**MEXICAN TRAIN ROBBED.**

CHIHUAHUA, April 13—Bandits have robbed a train near this city of \$31,000 in gold belonging to an American mining company.

**THE RECIPROCITY BILL.**

WASHINGTON, April 13—The administration's reciprocity bill has been favorably reported by the Ways and Means Committee of the Senate.

**WOMEN AID RIOTERS.**

ESPENAY, France, April 13—Women are actively aiding the rioters and the troops are endeavoring to restore order.

**MORNING CABLE REPORT.**

PARIS, April 13—The champagne riots continue in the departments of Marne and Aube. Rioting is fiercest in Marne. There are 12,000 troops on the ground and mobs have been charged by cavalry. In some places the tri-color has been torn down and the red flag substituted.

KANSAS CITY, April 13—A violent storm is sweeping the middle west and the Mississippi basin. A tornado in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma has left havoc in its track.

HELENA, Montana, April 13—Roosevelt ended his western tour here.

## SIBERIA TOMORROW WILL TAKE HUNDRED AND FIFTY LABORERS

As indicated in the Star yesterday the Siberia war tomorrow take about 150 laborers away to the canneries at Alaska. Definite information received this morning shows that the labor agents have obtained one hundred men. These it is stated, are the riff-raff of Honolulu, and no one will be the least sorry for their going; it is a good riddance, is the common view. If the canneries succeed in making them work, then it will be the first time that they have been made to do so.

How many more men are engaged cannot be ascertained, but the manner of inducing them to go, is to get men among them, and tell them of the excellent chances they have of making money, and what inducements are held out to them.

**Cholera Won't Interfere.** The cholera outbreak has given the

## NEW MINISTER TO RUSSIA



WM. W. ROCKHILL.

WASHINGTON, April 13—The President has nominated William W. Rockhill for ambassador to Turkey and Curtis Guild Jr., for ambassador to Russia.

## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Governor Frear this morning sent in his expected special message to the Legislature calling for a reapportionment of the membership of the House and Senate in accordance with the figures of the last census. The message sets forth the new figures and calls attention to the need for action by the Legislature. It is anticipated that there will be considerable opposition to the proposed

legislation, though the Organic Act requires it, the objections being from outside districts, on account of gains Oahu would make if the reapportionment were provided for.

**BOTH PLEADED GUILTY.**

"Phoney" Davis and F. Miller, hack-driver, admitted their guilt this morning when charged with selling liquor without a license. Sentence will be imposed on April 22nd. The whisky found in Davis's possession has not yet been analyzed.

The Metropolitan Meat Market will close at noon tomorrow. Good Friday.